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Metro Update!

Major **Red Line maintenance** over Labor Day weekend; Schedule is now available for several months in advance.

http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Apps/dpwt/PressRelease/PR_list.asp

Police Conduct Sobriety Checkpoints this Holiday Weekend!

<http://www.mymcpnews.com/2013/08/30/advisory-labor-day-weekend-sobriety-checkpoint/>



Montgomery Parks Announces Labor Day Weekend Operating Hours

For details on Upcounty parks, visit <http://montgomeryplanningboard.org/blog-news/2013/08/28/montgomery-parks-2013-labor-day-weekend-activities-and-operating-hours>. Park Permits Office: **CLOSED all weekend: August 31 – September 2.** All regional and recreational fields: **CLOSED Labor Day, Monday, September 2.**

*All other parks and facilities are operating on standard schedules listed on www.MontgomeryParks.org.



Ambassadors Host Community Cricket Tournament in Germantown

Saturday, September 7 9:00am-5:00pm
South Germantown Recreational Park
14501 Schaeffer Rd, Boyds

Ambassadors from seven Embassies will host the “**Ambassadors’ Cricket Cup**” September 7. Teams representing local communities of Australia, Bangladesh, the United Kingdom, India, New Zealand, South Africa, Sri Lanka and the West Indies will participate in the day-long tournament. The tournament will comprise seven games of one-hour duration: four quarter-finals, two semi-finals and a final. The event is the brainchild of Neil Parsan and Mike Moore, respectively the Ambassadors of Trinidad & Tobago and New Zealand to the United States. Based on viewership, cricket is known to be one of the most popular sports in the world – and is the most popular summer sport in South Asia, Southern Africa, Australasia, and the English-speaking Caribbean.

The tournament has been organized with the assistance of the Washington Cricket League and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

Additional information about cricket rules and history is available on the Te Ara website:

<http://www.teara.govt.nz/en/cricket/page-1>.

If you’d like more information about the Ambassadors’ Cricket Cup or a background briefing on the rules of the game, please contact Gina Anderson at 202-631-8304 or email gina.anderson@mfat.govt.nz.

Montgomery Parks Urges Dog Owners to Take Precautions in Light of Recent Report of Dog Flu in the County

Several instances of [canine influenza](#) (dog flu) have been reported in Montgomery County according to ABC7/WJLA. Dog flu is highly contagious and can lead to illness or in rare instances death in dogs. Symptoms include coughing, sneezing and fever in dogs. It is spread through direct contact with infected dogs, contaminated objects and through people interacting between infected and uninfected dogs.

Pet owners are advised to contact their veterinarians if they notice symptoms. For more information please visit www.cdc.gov/flu/canine.

Public Hearing on Ten Mile Creek Limited Amendment for the Clarksburg Master Plan September 10 6:00pm

You must [Sign up to testify](#) after August 30, 2013



The Montgomery County Planning Board will hold a public hearing on the Limited Amendment regarding future development in the Ten Mile Creek area of Clarksburg. The Board is scheduled to begin worksessions in late September or early October and approve a draft that will be sent to the Council for approval in October.

The Limited Amendment, which will amend the 1994 Clarksburg Master Plan, is guided by a number of [policies](#) [\[PDF\]](#) (200 KB) established in that plan. For more information about the Amendment, visit http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/community/plan_areas/I270_corridor/clarksburg/clarksburg_lim_amendment.shtml

Montgomery County Executive's Hispanic Gala Thursday, September 12 7:30pm - Midnight The Fillmore Silver Spring 8656 Colesville Road, Silver Spring

This year's event, "Latino Dreamers" is committed to assisting Hispanic youth to achieve a high level of education while building strong, diverse and united communities. Leading companies, organizations and individuals are coming together to raise funds to support the Maryland Hispanic Achievement Scholarship Program that will financially assist Hispanic students enrolled in Montgomery County and State of Maryland higher learning institutions.

For more details, visit www.montgomeryhispanicgala.org or contact:

Lorna Virgili, 2013 Event Chair
P.O. Box 4162
Rockville, MD 20849
(240) 277-8072
lorna@NHCGmedia.com

Community Meeting on Redesign of Historic Bank Barn at Agricultural History Farm Park Monday, September 16 7:00pm Agricultural History Farm Park – Activity Center 18410 Muncaster Road, Derwood

Montgomery Parks invites the public to a community meeting to learn about design and construction modifications to the historic bank barn located in the Agricultural History Farm Park which will include obtaining a Use and Occupancy permit

for assembly use, as well as replacing the existing roof structure to meet current state and local code requirements. The modifications will maintain the historic integrity and character of the barn, will enable the barn to continue to be used for agricultural purposes and house animals in the lower level, and will accommodate master planned proposed uses for public interpretive programs and special events.

To learn more or to comment, visit ParkProjects.org or contact:

Melissa Chotiner
Public Affairs & Community Partnerships Division
Montgomery Parks
9500 Brunett Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20901
Office: 301.650.2866

Board of Elections Seeks Comment on Proposed Early Voting Centers

Public comments will be received by the Montgomery County Board of Elections through 5 p.m. on September 17, 2013. A public hearing to discuss the Early Voting Sites was held on July 27 at 10:00 a.m. at the Board of Elections. In addition to the public hearing, the Board will meet on Monday, September 16 at 2:30 p.m. to review comments and receive further public comments. Comments should be submitted in writing to elections@montgomerycountymd.gov. You may also call the Board of Elections at 240-777-8525 to have your name placed on a list of presenters at the Board meeting. **Comments do not need to be presented in person; you may mail comments to either the web address above or to the attention of Marjorie Roher at the Montgomery County Board of Elections, 18753 N. Frederick Avenue, Suite 210, Gaithersburg, MD 20879.**

Public participation guidelines are available at 777vote by clicking on "Board Information" and then on "Public Participation". The direct link to this information is <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/Elections/BoardInformation/PublicParticipation.html>.

Leggett Seeks Applicants for Library Board

County Executive Isiah Leggett is seeking applicants to fill four vacancies on the Library Board. Three incumbents are eligible to apply for reappointment. The 12-member Advisory Board gives community input to the County Executive on matters affecting the public library system. Members serve three year terms without compensation, but are eligible for reimbursement for travel and dependent care for meetings attended. Meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in the Department of Public Libraries, Administrative Offices, 3rd Floor, Rockville Memorial Library, 21 Maryland Avenue, Suite 310, Rockville. Each Board member serves as liaison to assigned Library Advisory Committees, which may involve additional meetings each month.

Applicants of diverse backgrounds, professions, gender, geography, disability and ethnicity are encouraged to apply. An application, consisting of a **brief cover letter and resume**, should be sent by mail to County Executive Isiah Leggett, 101 Monroe Street, 2nd Floor, Rockville, MD 20850, or by email to countyexecutive.boards@montgomerycountymd.gov. Home and employment addresses, as well as contact phone numbers and email addresses should be included. If appropriate, applicants should indicate the position for which they are applying.

The deadline for applications is September 18, 2013!

You're invited!
A Farm to Table Dinner
Friday, September 20 6:00pm-9:30pm
Agricultural History Farm Park
18400 Muncaster Road, Derwood

The Montgomery County Farm Bureau (MCFB) invites you to come share in the county's bounty at this unique farm to table experience prepared by local *Chef James Ricciuti*. Enjoy appetizers, dinner, dessert and live entertainment.

The meal will be made using meats and produce from county farmers to create a memorable dining experience. Learn about local agriculture. Meet local farmers. Learn more about your local food sources. Visit information booths that will educate and raise awareness of agricultural initiatives in the county. MCFB hopes our county residents will gain an awareness of the tremendous agricultural activities right next door.

For ticket information, contact Kathy Lyons at kmhlyons@aol.com or obtain an order form online at <http://www.mdfarmbureau.com/Montgomery.asp>.

This adult only event is not a fundraiser.

Montgomery County Farm Bureau is part of the Maryland Farm Bureau, a private, non-profit membership organization. The Maryland Farm Bureau Mission is to promote and protect Maryland agriculture and rural life. Its strength comes from the active participation of over 32, 000 member families that belong to the state's 23 county Farm Bureaus.

An announcement from



Please join Montgomery College President Dr. DeRionne P. Pollard for the naming ceremony of the **Frank Islam Athenaeum Symposia** on Tuesday, September, 10, 2013. The Symposia Naming Ceremony will begin at 6:30pm, followed at 7:00pm with the Symposia Inaugural Lecture: "Working the Pivot Points: To Make America Work Again," offered by Mr. Frank Islam.

Montgomery College, Germantown Campus
High Tech Building, Globe Hall
20200 Observation Drive
Germantown, MD 20876



RSVP by September 6, 2013 by calling Ms. Ja'Bette Lozupone at 240-567-7711 or by emailing her at JaBette.Lozaupone@montgomerycollege.edu

An Open House!

Montgomery County's New Public Safety Headquarters

September 21 11am-4pm

100 Edison Park Drive, Gaithersburg

K9, SWAT and Fire Demos- SafeKids, Project Lifesaver, Operation ID, Senior Safety Public Safety Cars, Trucks, Motorcycles, Helicopters • Crime Solvers Tours of the 1st District & the Public Safety Headquarters Complex Crime Lab Tours & Demos • Firearms Exhibits • Face Painting • Moon Bounce • Rides – Food - Vendors • Clowns • Kids' Activities • Kids' Fingerprints

For details, visit www.mymcpnews.com. If inclement weather, call 240-773-6945



County Council Public Hearing: Countywide Transit Corridors Plan

September 24 and 26 7:30pm

Council Office Building

100 Maryland Avenue, Rockville

(this hearing was previously scheduled for September 10)

This plan will affect development of the County's proposed Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system. For more information on the BRT, visit the MCDOT website: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html> or call Chuck Lattucca, BRT Manager at 240-777-7170. You can also visit the Council's website at: www.montgomerycountymd.gov/council

Sign up to testify on that day by 10:00 am!

Ride On to Hold Public Forum on Proposed Changes to Routes 83 and 94

Thursday, September 26 6:30pm

Upcounty Regional Services Center

12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

(In case of inclement weather, the public forum will be held on October 3.)

The forum will begin at 6:30 p.m. and end after the last speaker presents remarks. Ride On is considering the following changes/additions to service:

- **Route 83** - Extend service to the future Holy Cross Hospital site in Germantown by extending the route along Observation Drive through Montgomery College/Germantown to the Hospital. The existing Route 83 operates between the Germantown Transit Center and the Milestone Park & Ride Lot via Dorsey Mill Road, with some service to the Germantown MARC Station.
- **Route 94** – A new route for this bus line called “Meet the MARC” is proposed to address greater demand for transit service in the Upcounty area, connect MARC commuter train service to Rockville, Silver Spring and Washington, D.C. and serve residents of the Clarksburg community. The new Route 94 will originate in the morning in Clarksburg and operate via Clarksburg Road, Snowden Farm Parkway, Little Seneca Parkway, Meadow Mist Road, Skylark Road, Ridge Road, Father Hurley Boulevard., Dawson Farm Road and Liberty Mill Road and end at the lower level of the Germantown MARC Station. The last day of service for the existing Route 94 will be Friday, October 18.

Additional information regarding these proposed changes prior to the public forum is available on [Ride On's web site](#). **Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to speak at the public forum must request to do so in writing on or before September 23 by providing their name, home address, telephone number, e-mail address and organization to the Division of Transit Services (address below).** Those who have signed up to speak must provide two printed copies of their testimony for the record.

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but not less than three business days prior to the date of the forum. Large print format is available upon request. All public comments, including alternative suggestions, will be considered before any bus route changes are finalized.

Comments on the proposed service additions may also be made in writing, by fax or e-mailed to the Division of Transit Services by October 3. Send comments to:

Division of Transit Services

Ride On Public Forum

101 Monroe Street, 5th Floor

Rockville, Maryland 20850

240-777-5801 (fax) TTY 301-251-4850

mcdot.rideonpublicforums@montgomerycountymd.gov

Call 311 or from outside the County 240-777-0311

For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news>

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/cshtml.asp?url=/content/council/news/news.asp>

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases/

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/libraries/index.asp>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingervices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>